DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

The NPL to D. Sabourdy et al has been received and considered.

Allowable Subject Matter

Independent claims 1, 67, 69 and 70 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claims 1 and 67.

None of the searched prior arts alone or in combination discloses the claimed resonator cavity with the structural combination of independent claim 1 and 67, including the intracavity beam coupler for spatially separating the light, phase locking and partial coherent combining the light beam in a double pass through the beam coupler.

Claims 2-9, 14, 15, 17, 19-30, 58-60 depend from claim 1.

Regarding claims 69, 70.

None of cited prior arts alone or in combination discloses the claimed beam coupler for controlling light propagating through a resonator cavity and having the recited structural and functional combination of the rear and front facets.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

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